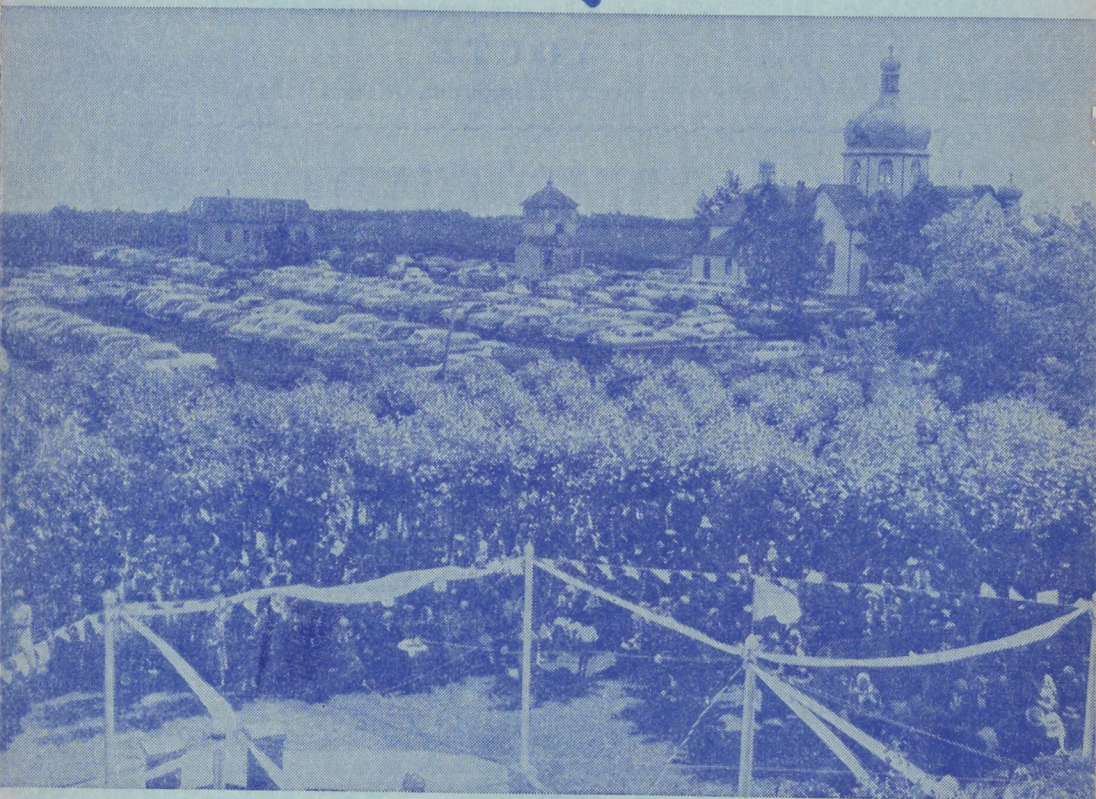


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Summer Issue of "Youth"

The July-August edition of the YOUTH will be printed during the first week in August.

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A Time For Decision

June has always been an important month for young people, especially for high school graduates. It marks a dividing line between one kind of life and another. The years before graduation are often the most carefree and happy ones in a person's life because he relies on his parents to supply the necessities as well as the luxuries of everyday living. The graduate is faced with the thought of leaving the security of the family nest and deciding what course of action to take in choosing a career for himself. Because a person's success in life as well as his happiness depends on the work he chooses, he must consider carefully every career in which he might be interested. The important thing to remember, though, is not which occupation pays the highest salaries, but which occupation will make a person happiest and give him the greatest satisfaction. To be happy and content in his life's work, a person must enjoy what he is doing.

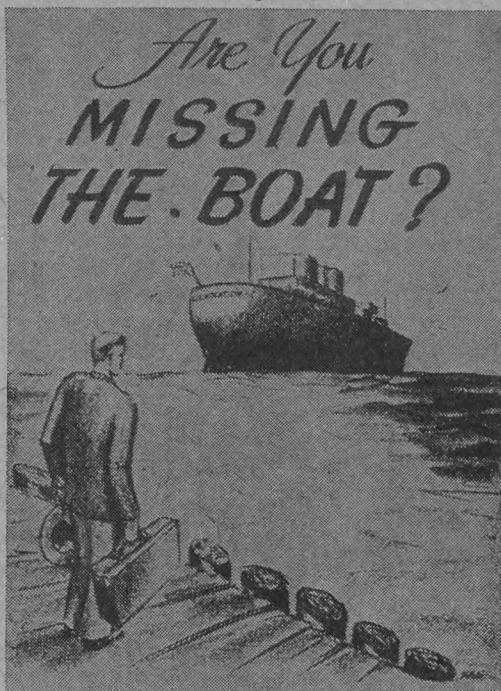
Two articles in this issue which we urge to you read in connection with our editorial, are, the speech to the Yorkton graduates by Senator Wall and the article on Vocations by Father M. Daciuk, O.S.B.M. Those who choose the religious life are indeed fortunate for they will be doing the greatest task on earth, that of following in Christ's footsteps and bringing hope of salvation to all mankind. Their's is a life completely sacrificed to God, to do His bidding. To those of our readers who enter the religious life, we extend our sincere best wishes and prayers for success.

Our wish for the other graduates is that they choose the career for which they are best suited and which they will be happiest in. Furthermore, we urge that they apply themselves diligently to whatever task they choose so they will be a credit to their church, family and race. The person who does a job well instead of haphazardly is the one who is going to succeed in life. The path to success is strewn with many promising individuals who shirked their responsibilities and were left by the wayside. Perseverance and hard work always pay dividends.

Since many of our readers are not graduates, we will direct our final words to them. Your school days are the most important days of your life, because that is the time when you acquire and develop habits and attitudes which influence your whole life. Don't waste this precious time but make the most of it. You will never regret it if you do. Many of our bright young people often get in with the wrong crowd and begin to neglect their studies. They begin to believe in the fallacy that they

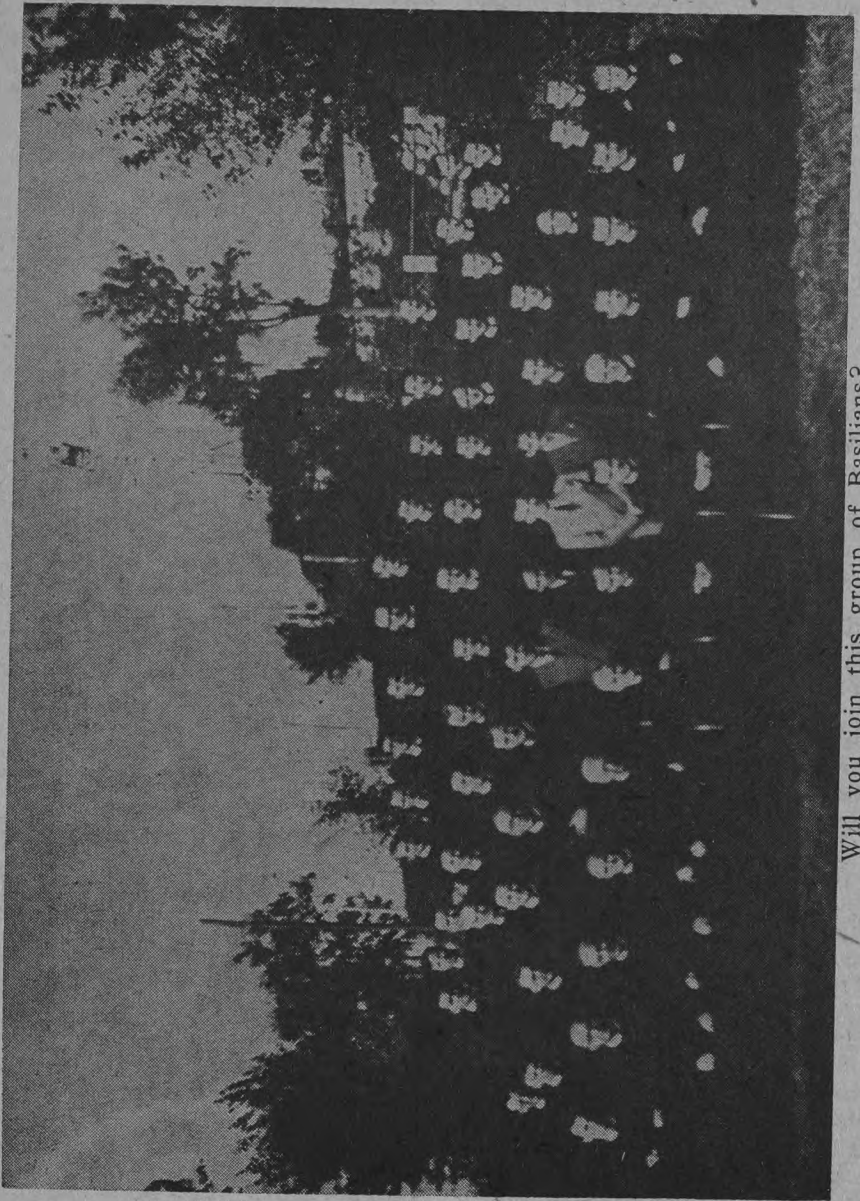
can get something for nothing. Instead of applying themselves diligently to their studies, they neglect their assignments and even go so far as to be a disturbing influence in the classroom and try to give the teacher a "hard time". We fervently hope that none of our readers ever fall into this latter category.

Our life on earth may be a happy and successful one if we try hard enough to make it so. If we do our best at all times and abide by our responsibilities as Catholics, the future will take care of itself.



Dear Youth, pride and indescribable satisfaction fill your hearts these days. Good for you. A year of work and constant training has brought its reward. The last examinations are now over, and you feel that you have completed a tremendous task. Looking back, you sigh with relief and gratefully whisper, "Thanks be to God, I'll soon be through with another year of my studies."

What you have accomplished deserves recognition. And our sincere good wishes follow you along your path to lead you to true happiness and success. But there is, however, a tinge of fear mixed with even our best wishes. The paths in the world — there are so many: some are good, some not-so-good, some bad. We are very much concerned that you follow the good course God has scheduled just for



Will you join this group of Basilians?

you. No doubt you have given this problem at least a little thought by now.

We have been through all this ourselves. Believe us, we know that for you this is serious. Every second brings you nearer to that all-important moment when you must make your choice — a choice that will spell **HAPPINESS** or **GRIEF** for you. If you put off your decision and let yourself drift without aim or purpose, then, mark these words, **YOU ARE THROUGH**. What is worse, you'll have yourself to blame. So it's up to **YOU** to see to it that you do not Miss the Boat that is to carry you safely across the perilous waters of the world's life to your eternal Goal.

Follow the promptings of your heart to consider yourself and your future seriously. Weigh your soul, as it were, in a spiritual balance. Give it a thorough check-up. By this time you must have a fairly clear and honest picture of your abilities and weaknesses. Experience has taught you, perhaps, that your soul needs more than usual protection against temptations; or you realize that more earthly attractions will never fill the desires of your soul; or your inborn generosity prompts you to win other souls to enjoy God's peace and happiness even as you are enjoying them . . . My dear friend, you had better consider the calling to higher things. It seems that God is preparing you for His work. A little more prayer for light and the advice of your confessor or spiritual director will help you in this line.

Remember that the question of your vocation is the first that should be asked, not the last. In fact, the

question should be asked long before it is time to decide at graduation. If it is a vocation seed that God puts in your heart, it has to have time to strike root. It's a living thing that needs hoeing and watering and a lot of attention. It doesn't pop up strong and sturdy like Jack's bean stalk. Nor will you be knocked off your horse, St. Paul fashion, to follow Christ.

Rather, you ought to "get down off your high horse" and ask God about your vocation. It's no good to look at it with a chip on your shoulder, as if to say, "Allright, if God wants me, let Him make it clear." Naturally, He doesn't need anyone. It's a great privilege that He allows priests and brothers and sisters to work hand in hand with Him. God flatters them by letting them do His work for Him. No, God won't force you. You have to beg for the privilege. A vocation, you see, is a "grace", after all. And you get graces only by praying.

And if you are to graduate this year, your future has probably already curled itself up into a puzzling question mark. Graduation, then what? College? Job? Some profession? And what about the future.

In all this puzzlement, please, do not forget to consider that there is no shortage of work in the Kingdom of God; but there is a sad shortage of workers. Why? Because, many, in their youth, fail to obey God calling them to come closer to Him, to help spread His name, to help save souls for whom Our Divine Savior died.

And there are ever so many big and little tasks that need attention in spreading the Kingdom of God.

Priests must be on hand to administer the sacraments, guide their flock, instruct and convert the ignorant here at home and in mission lands; brothers and sisters are needed to help the priests at every turn, to teach our youth, care for the sick, orphaned and aged. Just try to make a list of the many tasks which priests, brothers and sisters perform in saving souls. Many of these YOU could perform. Who knows, maybe God is expecting you to prepare yourself for such work. And if He is offering you this special grace to serve Him, think it over carefully. Guard that invitation. It needs special protection. That protection is found in prayer and the Sacraments and in seeking the proper advice, which you could obtain so easily from your confessor,

your spiritual director or your pastor. And if you do offer Him all of yourself, body and soul all your services, because you love Him more than anything else . . . then in that case, God will bless your generous heart more than you dare to expect.

Incidentally, if any young boy reading this article has a feeling that maybe he should join the lines of God's special workers, and is rather being inclined to dedicate his life under the banner of St. Basil the Great and work for God as a Basilian priest or brother, then feel free to write for all information and advice to the author of these lines at the following address:

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Trails To Happiness

By Fr. P. Maluga, C.Ss.R.

The practice of religion implies acts of homage by which man acknowledges God's dominion over him and seeks His help and friendship. These acts of homage may be expressed by direct acts of worship, such as prayer and sacrifice or by obeying God's law. Religion teaches that God is to be adored, thanked, reconciled and asked for all that is necessary for the good of the soul and body. Religion also imposes upon man the obligation of obeying God.

God has put you on the road to happiness. He created you to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him so that someday you may be eternally happy with Him in hea-

ven. As you travel on life's journey to heaven, you will meet all kinds of people. You will meet people who do not believe in anything. They do not know why they exist in this world. Others who will advise you to get off the main highway, that is, give up the Catholic Church, and take another road which may never bring you to heaven. There are some who will want to stop you for the pleasure of sin. They want you to enjoy the pleasures of this earth and thus forget about heaven. To save you the terrible misfortunes of missing everlasting happiness, God has marked out the road for you by signposts which you cannot miss. These sign-

posts leading to everlasting happiness are the TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The Commandments are God's Law. The observances of God's Law means man's happiness here and hereafter. God made man to be happy and showed him how to become happy by giving him the Commandments. Once upon a time when there were only two people in this world it was a happy world to live in. But they spoiled it. They broke God's golden rule of happiness — that is, they went against His Commandments. It has been an unhappy world ever since, because men have followed the folly of the first couple. They have tried to make a happy world by ignoring God, but the result proved to be a failure. For God's law is a plan for human living, a way for human happiness. Therefore His Law is worthwhile knowing and keeping.

Unfortunately, nowadays the Ten Commandments are looked upon as out of date. They may have been appropriate, it is said, for a wandering tribe in a barbaric age; they are too primitive for men living in a highly organized and civilized community as we now have in this modern age. Here is the great mistake that many make. The Commandments are the Natural Law, made for all men, at all times, under all circumstances. They are unchanging and unchangeable. They are the base of all civilization and ordered living planned by God Himself.

The Ten Commandments include in general all the natural duties and rights of man. They are written deeply in the hearts of all men by God. They are the written form

of the Natural Law which tells man what is right and what is wrong. The Natural Law is similar to the instructions given by the manufacturing company telling how to operate this particular machine in order to get the best results from it and preserve it in good condition. A man who purchases a new tractor carefully reads all the instructions the dealer gives him. If the machine is later not well looked after or run by inexperienced people who do not know how to use it properly, it certainly will not give the service intended by the manufacturer. Similarly, God made you and put certain directions into your soul which we call the Natural Law, so that you might know the way to eternal happiness and eventually possess it. As long as you follow the Natural Law or voice of conscience, you are on the right road to heaven; if you decide to go against your conscience you just won't get there!

The Ten Commandments are beacons which throw forth light for us pilgrims passing through this dark valley of life. They are a code of human conduct. They were originally written on the conscience of man. That they might not become forgotten or obscured by ignorance or passion, they were written by God on two stone tablets. They were first given to Moses for the Jewish people. The Bible relates that the Jews were happy when they kept them, unhappy when they violated them.

When Our Blessed Lord came to earth, He proclaimed the Commandments and made their meaning more clear. The Catholic Church, which proclaim them and to explain them, is His Living Voice, continues to

Their message is Love of God, and love of fellow man. Love means action: "If you love Me, keep My Commandments". Love means life, true life, a share in God's life. "This is eternal life: That they may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." Our Redeemer made it clear that we cannot live alone. "If any man love Me, My Father will love him and we will come to him, and dwell with him." We actually live when God lives in us. Our Lord specified that we cannot be happy without love, for life without love is death.

What does the First Commandment mean? It means that we must show our love for God by worship and prayer. Worship means honoring God in the highest possible way. We give honor to distinguished men and women whom we consider worthy of honor. Honors, applause, rewards are different ways of acknowledging superiority. Monuments are raised to the memory of men in testimony of their excellence and in recognition of their accomplishments.

As Catholics, we honor the saints and Blessed Virgin Mary. But we do not worship them. We give the Blessed Virgin Mary a very special honor, higher than any other saints, on account of her exclusive dignity of Mother of God. As God honored her in the highest way by sending His messenger, the archangel Gabriel to greet her by saying: "Hail, full of grace", we do the same. She is God's masterpiece. She is the most perfect of all God's creatures. Therefore, she holds a prominent place in the honor role of God and men. But still we do not worship Mary nor the saints.

There is only One worthy of worship in the strict sense, and that One is God. For when we worship, we acknowledge God as the Supreme Being. This worship is called adoration. Only God is adored. We adore God by prayer. Prayer means raising of the mind and heart to God. By prayer we get in touch with God and communicate with Him. The telephone is a useful instrument in our lives. We converse with distant friends, exchanging assurances of love and affection; we console the afflicted or derive consolation in our own afflictions; we can procure the necessities of life and in danger, summon assistance. Prayer is very similar. We can converse with God by means of prayer, exchange loving greetings and secure comfort and assistance in our daily troubles. By prayer we can inform God of our need of the ordinary things of life. When danger threatens, we appeal to God for help. Such are the purposes and advantages; prayer is necessary for the soul as breathing is for the body. Without prayer, the salvation of the soul is impossible!

We express our honor to God by worship and prayer. Before anyone can express his worship or prayer to God, he must first believe in Him. That is faith. According to St. Paul, without faith, nobody can please God. Faith means taking the word of another. If I am studying from a text book, I believe the man who wrote the contents of the book. We believe in the existence of such cities as Rome, London, New York, although we have never seen them. We believe the doctor who gives us a prescription, as a man who knows the laws of health.

Supernatural faith is taking God's word. When I take the Word of God and live up to it, I worship God as He commands me to worship Him. I believe what God has revealed, because all that He has said is the truth. I take His word on His authority. I take it all, and not just part of it. I accept His mysteries as well as His statements. When God asks for our faith, He says to us: "Will you take My word no matter how strange it may sound to you?"

Faith is like the root of the tree, without which it cannot exist; it is the first step on the road to heaven; it is the key which opens the treasure-house of all virtues and sanctity; it is like a boat which carries passengers across the sea; as without a boat you cannot cross the sea, so without faith you cannot arrive at the port of eternal salvation. Without faith we can do no good works pleasing to God, or which will merit for us a reward in heaven.

Faith in God gives rise to a love for Him, and confidence in Him and this enables us to labor and suffer for Him. Faith encourages us in our toilsome journey through life. It provides us with means of resisting temptations. It is the shield that enables us to extinguish all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

We worship God by faith, hope and charity.

We fulfill the First Commandment when we worship God by believing what He has revealed on the authority of His word. That is faith. We worship Him by hope, when, relying on His goodness and promises, we confidently ask and expect to attain Eternal Life and the necessary means to attain it. We worship Him by charity when we love Him above all things for His own sake and observe His law. We worship Him by the virtue of religion when we honor and adore Him as the Supreme Being and obey His holy law. That is the real significance of religion!

Graduation Exercises, St. Joseph's College

The spacious Dr. D. J. Brass Auditorium at the Yorkton Collegiate was crowded on Sunday, May 19, when 35 students from St. Joseph's College and 28 from Sacred Heart Academy were graduated. His Grace, Archbishop M. Hermaniuk, C.Ss.R., D.D., who recently was enthroned as Metropolitan for Canada, paid his first visit to Yorkton and presided. His Excellency, Bishop A. Roborecki, D.D., of Saskatoon, and many priests from Yorkton, and the surrounding districts

attended. Sister Frances, superior of Sacred Heart Academy and Brother Justin, president of St. Joseph's College, assisted His Grace with the presentation of diplomas.

The stage was decorated with baskets of snapdragons and fern and the banners of Sacred Heart Academy and St. Joseph's College. The Army Cadets of St. Joseph's College acted as ushers, wearing their smart uniforms and also assisted as attendants. The dignified entrance of the graduates — the young la-

dies of Sacred Heart wearing cream robes and mortarboards and the young men black robes and mortarboards — was impressively executed with Cynthia Sakundiak playing Sir Edgar Elgar's famous "Land of Hope and Glory" on the piano.

The salutary was effectively presented by Walter Dutkiewicz, who welcomed individually His Grace, Archbishop M. Hermaniuk, Metropolitan for Canada, Winnipeg, Bishop A. Roborecki of Saskatoon, the priests, the sisters, the brothers, parents, brothers, sisters and friends of the graduates and a very special welcome to Senator W. M. Wall, the distinguished educationalist from Winnipeg, who was to address the graduates.

The Sacred Heart Academy chorus delighted the audience with three numbers, Reichner's "If You Know the Lord", Hayvoronsky's "Mother of Our Land" in Ukrainian and Taylor-Brahe's ever-popular "Bless This House". E. A. Crosswaithe served as director.

His Grace and the directors of the two schools then took their places on the stage for the presentation of diplomas. As the graduates of Sacred Heart were called by Sister Frances, two girls from the Academy handed the diplomas from a tray to Brother Justin, who, in turn, gave them to His Grace for presentation. Later, two Army Cadets passed diplomas to Sister Frances as Brother Justin called the St. Joseph's graduates and Sister director gave the diplomas to the Metropolitan.

The splendid address by Senator Wall, which appears elsewhere in this issue was then presented.

The chorus from St. Joseph's Col-

lege then, under the direction of J. Leslie Poynter, presented Harris Willan's "We Sing a Song to Canada", Dunhill's "The Mermaid", and in Ukrainian, Leontovich's "Mother of Pochaiv", and all selections were much enjoyed.

The presentation of awards followed, with the various donors making the presentations if they were present, and if not, His Grace, His Excellency, members of the clergy, Sisters or friends made the presentations which were as follows: Sister Bohdana, principal of Sacred Heart and Brother Justin of St. Joseph's announced the awards.

Address to the graduates of St. Joseph's College and Sacred Heart Academy by

SENATOR WALL

"What Canada will likely be with in the next 25 years has been carefully assessed in the Gordon report and its many supplementary reports now being released. Canada is on the threshold of ever more wonderful development, and she needs all of you . . . well-educated, well-trained and well-prepared for responsible positions. As you make your decisions your future participation in Canadian society — aim high!"

Such was the advice of His Honor, Senator William M. Wall, M.Ed., when he addressed the graduates of Sacred Heart Academy and St. Joseph's College at their joint commencement exercises in the Dr. D. J. Brass Auditorium of the Yorkton Collegiate.

After addressing himself to the church dignitaries, the graduates and the audience, Senator Wall spoke

briefly in Ukrainian, reminding the graduates of their duties to the nation, church and Ukrainian organizations.

"I wonder whether you suffer a little, as I did, when I attended a similar but far less imposing and beautiful graduation ceremonies, quite some time ago, I must admit . . . from some uncertainties and tiny fears . . . quite natural to a kind of conflict situation when we attended graduation ceremonies before we know the results of our final examinations," he said.

"I am saying this for two reasons. If you have any such fears or uncertainties, don't worry about them. I am certain that your scholastic records are fine and worthy of suitable recognition. I am certain that you may be working hard during the next few weeks to guarantee this recognition, and I am equally certain that your principals and teachers will do everything in their power to help."

The senator then relaxed his audience with three unusually witty stories. One for His Grace, the Metropolitan, one for the young ladies who were graduating and one for the young men who were sharing the honor.

"The Pause That Refreshes"

"Graduation is a pleasant interlude, the 'pause that refreshes', when you may look back on the life's journey that has already been travelled with greater or lesser success . . . when one may remember with a feeling of pride and satisfaction the accomplishments which are deeds of sacrifice and good will and when one may consider one's failures, which may or may not have

been one's sole responsibility . . . and which we may not particularly wish to remember because . . . we know that we also have been responsible . . . in some measure," he said.

"Graduation is a time for thinking about the qualities of character which have helped to bring us along so far. As we think about them and assess them, please do remember that in the days that lie ahead . . . these sterling qualities of sound, Christian living will be your continued strength and support.

Remember Kindnesses

Graduation is a time for remembering and recognizing the kindnesses and the sacrifices of those who have helped you so far. Never be afraid to be thankful and to show this gratitude. If I may be permitted to quote from Romans, Chapter 13: 'Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom is due; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.' I know that your thankfulness flows out to your parents above all and to your teachers, to your priests, and to your many school friends and acquaintances. Your generous hearts recognize too, the generosity and far-sightedness of those who built the educational institutions you are now about to leave . . . those men and women who believe in education impregnated with Christian discipline and Christian idealism. And above all, our thankfulness is directed to the Almighty — to Him whose boundless benevolence and unceasing intercessions have guided our halting and often faltering footsteps so far!

"Perhaps, too, graduation is a time

for renewing our belief that there will always be people of goodwill and nobility of purpose . . . to help us along to even more worthy goals of effective citizenship and good Christian living . . . if we ourselves are willing to give freely of ourselves in time, in labor, and of the talents which have been given to us in trust.

Time to Make Decisions

"Graduation forces upon us the difficult problems of decision-making. Life's experiences have already proved to you that each of us is constantly faced with decisions to be made. These decisions will become ever more difficult as your responsibilities will increase and change in character. From these there is no escape.

"Graduation does present us with an opportunity to pause in sober reflection about your immediate and further future. What about your further preparation to become a wanted and needed actor in the brave new world that lies ahead? Due to the marvels of science and technology, this brave new world appears fearlessly dangerous but enchantingly enticing.

"What role do you foresee in it for you? May I stress, at this point, my most sincere and sober advice to you . . . to go on to ever-higher levels of education, if at all possible.

The Elite of Life

"Each honest calling, each walk of life, has its own elite, its own aristocracy. This elite is based upon excellence of performance. We, all of us, want each one of you to continue to study and labor, to

reach this level of leadership in whatever calling you choose for yourself.

"What Canada will likely be in the next 25 years has been carefully assessed in the Gordon report and its many supplementary reports now being released. Canada is on the threshold of ever more wonderful development, and she needs all of you . . . well-educated, well-trained and well-prepared for responsible positions. As you make your decisions concerning your future participation in Canadian society . . . aim high!

"I am reminded of these words by a famous author, Thomas Wolfe: "The young men of this land are not, as they are often called, a lost race. They are a race that never yet has been discovered. And the whole secret, power and knowledge of their discovery is locked within them. They know it, feel it, have the whole thing in them."

Faith In Youth

"Remember, and be reassured that we believe in you. We believe in the power and knowledge and essential goodness which you nurse within your bosoms, and we do want to help you along to discover yourselves . . . your real selves, so full of idealism and talent, and of capabilities for hard work which purposes challenge the best that is in you.

"Please don't be in an awful hurry to discover yourself in any kind of a job, simply because you are in a terrible hurry to be independent and to enjoy the many material pleasures which we think will make us happy. It is not my purpose to define human happiness for you, but

please make certain that this definition of happiness is really comprehensive, **sound and satisfactory**, not only for tomorrow and after tomorrow . . . but for 10, 20 or 30 years that lie ahead of your eager feet. I say this not because I like to preach, as teachers do sometimes, but because I have witnessed so many tragic disappointments and eventual frustrations among the many hundreds of students whom it was my privilege to educate. Why? Too much hurry to get a job. Too impatient with time. Too little attention in setting life's goals at a sufficiently high level. This brings me to the last part of my graduation message to you. I want you to remember to carefully distinguish between opinion and convictions. When I ask you to aim high concerning your future life's work, I am not simply expressing an opinion, I am expressing a deep conviction, a belief which has been fortified by much experience.

Opinions

"Now, you may have opinions on a good many things. Opinions are often based on tastes, certain experiences, and reasonable guesses. If it can be shown that our opinion on a person is wrong, because we based it on wrong guesses or somebody else's say-so, we change that opinion. That is as it should be. The same thing applies to opinions you may have about your future life's work, if they are only opinions, rather than certainties.

"Convictions, on the other hand, are based on certainties. On knowledge that we believe is true, is a fact. This knowledge may be incomplete and therefore defective,

but it is always compelling. I can change my opinion about such and such a person, but I have a conviction about a man's essential dignity and worth and goodness. This conviction is a gift of faith.

Faith

"This brings to mind a few words from Hebrews 5: 'Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen'. It is your faith and mine which provides for us the spiritual and moral absolutes which we know are so important in sustaining, underpinning and ordering the kind of behavior which democracy must have or perish in its own disorder and anarchy because it tries to operate in a vacuum of values and beliefs. I know that there are people in whom this Christian hypothesis evokes a blind, narrow-minded and negative response. Such people pride themselves on being realists, on having intellectual and emotional objectivity. Such people infer that any talk of spiritual absolutes is somehow anti-intellectual and anti-progressive. Such people refuse to admit that scientific research in every field, even into the infinitesimal microcosm of the mysterious atom inevitably leads toward the Creator Who is responsible for the majesty and awesomeness of nature's fantastic complexity, orderliness and power.

Man's Destiny Comes From God

"Our faith teaches us that each individual is a child of God. Because this is so, because man's dignity, worth and final destiny comes from God, and ends with God, therefore every human individual has certain inalienable rights which

none must trespass. "Thus saith the Lord is a resounding commandment against any violations of the dignity of man, a binding absolute in our Christian faith. We must not terrorize, cheat, deceive, exploit or coerce our neighbor, for he is the child of God. This conviction must be a passion with us, and this passion can only be sustained by faith.

Rights and Freedoms

"It is exceedingly fashionable in democratic countries to speak loudly about rights and freedoms. True, that is one side of the democratic coin. But there is another side, and on it is inscribed the word "responsibility". In our faith no precept looms larger than social responsibility, our duty to be brother's friend and keeper, our duty to cooperate with and to work for our neighbor. Without this active participation in the community of life, democratic freedoms can only end in many other evils gnawing away at the very roots of our democratic society. Just think of the different economic groups, often fighting, pressuring, lobbying, sometimes for justice; sometimes for favors at the expense of others. What but Christian altruism and the Christian concept of co-operation and service can motivate these different groups to dedicate themselves to the common good to co-operate freely as a duty?

"St. Paul said 'For the body is

not one member, but many. If the foot shall say: Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body, is it not therefore of the body? And if the ear shall say, because I am not therefore not of the body? But now are they many members, yet one body. And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it, or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it'.

Deep Convictions

"Most assuredly we must have deep convictions about our duties and responsibilities to neighborly co-operation with our fellow man. We must be motivated to action by our faith for we must be nurtured, ordered and motivated. Most assuredly too, convictions, believe in the vision of world brotherhood, because we believe that we are all children of a common Heavenly Father.

"So, I shall leave you with this query: "What, indeed, are your basic convictions?"

"To this I shall add these simple words: 'Guided by your faith and its basic tenets, your own personal future will be assured, for you will possess energy sparked by invincible determination; good men will rally by you, and God will continue to bestow His blessings upon you in a thousand ways. God grant us all the wisdom to believe, and so to do His will, in all things.'

Наші національні обов'язки

Природний закон наказує всім лю- нетільки Канаду. але і рідний край бити й поважати свій нарід і край. наших батьків, бо наше українське Тому ми всі, навіть якщо Канада є походження вимагає від нас пошана наш рідний край, маємо обов'язок ни до всього що українське. любити і Канаду і наш нарід. Та Перший обов'язок, що впливає

з нашого походження, є цей, щоб любити той край, що з нього походять наші предки — Україну. Україна, це край “молоком і медом текучий, це найбагатша земля в східній Європі. Це земля зрошена кров’ю наших хоробрих козаків, що свої груди наставляли диким наїзdnикам в обороні своєї волі і свободи. Це земля змочена потом славних предків, що тяжко працювали, щоб нам було добре. Хоч наші батьки покидали цей край та їхали в Канаду, то це робили не з браку любови до нього, але з нужди, що її наніс на них лютий ворог. Зі сльозами в очах покидали вони рідні сторони, і тепер не перестають за ними тужити. Чим вони дорожать, те повинні і ми, їх діти, любити. Хоч наша помічна рука туди не може досягнути, то ми в серці злучені з тими нашими рідними, що там позістали. Ми любимо й шануємо все те, що звідти вийшло. І те нам треба також зберігати. Знати про цей рідний край батьків, це повинність всіх свідомих українських синів і доньок.

Крім того, мусимо любити й те, що причинилося до заховання і розвитку нашого народу і його культури, а саме Церкву і прадіdну віру. Церква має для нас подвійне значення: чисто - релігійне і національно-культурне. Крім того, що вона ширить Божу славу та освячує людей, на ній ще спочиває ціла будівля народнього і культурного життя. Життя Церкви й народу так тісно з собою злучені, що неможливо є руйнувати одно, а при тім і другого не нарушувати. Хто є проти Церкви, той звичайно працює на шкоду народу. Вікові праця Церкви надала нам національне обличчя. Вона, поруч з племінними прикметами,

витиснула найсильніше знам’я на народній душі.

Правдивий український патріот не може заперечувати заслуг Церкви, а тим менше руйнувати. Такий Герострат мусить рівночасно зірвати з цілим минулим народу; покинути культуру давніх віків; прекреслити нашу цінну літературу і прекрасне і релігійним духом пройняти мистецтво; наші народні звичаї і обичаї, такі питомі нашому народові, що з тим усім треба вирвати душу народу, або до краю змінити; бо все, що тільки маємо великого і цінного з нашої давнини, що нам честь приносить, додає сили і в боротьбі за наше національне існування, усе те носить на собі знамена Церкви та її праці. І як же ж нам цієї Церкви і віри не любити, не шанувати?

Опріч Церкви маємо ще любити заслужених людей — патріотів, що клали в народ те, що найкраще на світі: своє знання й чесноти. Любити своїх письменників, поетів, мистців і учених. Любити тих, що двигнули народ з пиянства і пророків, творили і підносили народне багатство. Часто недоцнені й не злюблені картали його, боронили його прав; самі переслідувані, були його дорадниками і провідниками. Любити наші прадіdні звичаї, наше мистецтво, в яким відзеркалюється творчий дух народу. Словом усе, що є наше, що рідне.

А надусе любити свою рідну українську мову. Ту мову, що нею промовляла до тебе рідна мама, коли тебе до свого серця тулила. Як часто, на жаль, трапляються в нас такі національні відступники, що тої матірньої мови встидаються, що не хочуть нею розмовляти, що не хочуть її навчитися!

Є одно повір'я в болгарського народу з часів, коли то він переживав жахливий період народнього та релігійного відступництва. Воно каже, що на дні пекла є озеро з кривавих сліз. В тім озері, на самім дні, вються національні зрадники. Вони вються з болю, бо круг їх сердець звилася чорна гадина пімсти, яка впивається своїм жалом в його

нутро та висмоктує кров, що сплила була сюди колись з материнського серця.

Така доля чекає всіх, що відрікаються своєї віри й нації.

Тому, дорога молоде, будь усе вірна своєму народові й Церкві. Нехай гідке ім'я зрадника і перевертня не сплямує чести ні одного з наших українських хлопців і дівчат.

Ethelbert U.C.Y.

The Ethelbert U.C.Y. was reorganized on September 16 by means of a Communion Breakfast. The executive for the term 1956-57 was as follows: president, Victoria Seniuk; vice-president, Netty Danyluk; secretary, Liz Pachkowski, and treasurer, Marian Chorneyko. Our spiritual director is Father M. Klymchuk. At present there are twenty five paid up members who are all students of the Ethelbert Collegiate. We hold our meeting every first Thursday of the month and more often if necessary.

Our plan for the year was to broaden our knowledge of the Ukrainian Catholic religion and culture and to turn our attention financially and spiritually to the needs of our Church and parish. We have put an effort in setting a good example in our community and at the same time putting forth the Catholic Action by teaching Catechism and Ukrainian School during the summer months.

The Ethelbert U.C.Y. attended the social evening in Dauphin on March 2 and 3. At this social, our members had the opportunity of meeting the Provincial President. Miss Vera

Zarowski.

Some of our yearly activities were as follows: We sponsored a St. Nicholas and a Mother's Day concert, which were very successful indeed. Throughout the whole year, we held three dances and a box social. We also had private and spiritual socials, such as Communion Breakfasts, etc. As for sports activities, we invited Sifton U.C.Y. to curl against our members. Following this, we had a good evening's entertainment. The Ethelbert U.C.Y. has made donations to charitable institutions and worthy organizations. On May 25 and 26, the U.C.Y. attended the Regional Convention held in Roblin. We would like to express our sincere thanks to Rev. Father M. Dzurman for his great contribution and effort in making it a great success. We, the members, feel that we have benefited a good deal from this convention.

On July 4-28, members who will remain at home during the summer months will teach catechism and Ukrainian School.

Co-operation is one of the most important factors in a successful U.C.Y., and I can only say that,

from our members, we have received the best co-operation that can be expected. Our year's activities have been very successful indeed, and we hope that we can carry out our further plans with still greater success.

May God bless you all.

Press Correspondent,
Ethelbert U.C.Y.

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The Always Faithful

When the meeting's called to order,
And you look about the room
You're sure to see some faces
That from out the shadows loom
That are always at the meetings
And stay, 'til it is through —
The ones that I would mention
Are the ALWAYS FAITHFUL
FEW.

They fill the vacant offices,

As they're always on the spot,
No matter what the weather,

Though it may be awful hot,
It may be dark and rainy,
But they are tried and true —
The ones that you rely on
Are the ALWAYS FAITHFUL
FEW.

There are lots of worthy members
Who will come when in the mood,
They can do a little good,
They're a factor in the Club
And are necessary too—

But the ones who never fail us
Are the ALWAYS FAITHFUL FEW.

If it were not for these faithful
Whose shoulders to the wheel
Keeps the Club moving
And guarantee a real good 'deal,
Then all the non-active members
Who have so much to do
Surely would go under
But for THE FAITHFUL FEW

—Adapted from U.P.W.A. Local Union News, May 1957. Submitted by the National Executive of U.C.Y.

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St. Basil's U.C.Y., South Edmonton

There are many events to review in our club's activities since our last correspondence nearly four months ago. About then, we were preparing to bring to our club the Western Diocese Bowling Trophy. Though we began the contest with dashing courage, we lost it again to the St. Josaphat's U.C.Y. Bowling League. At a later date our bowlers did recognize our "most valuable players", Pearl Hrabec (ladies' high single) and Adolf Melnyk (men's high single), and presented them with our

own appropriately inscribed trophies. The "2x4's" were our highest scoring team for the season.

Taking their suggestion, and in co-operation with the Edmonton Deanery, our club elected Sidney Pawlowski, our president, as the member who had contributed most to the club's welfare during the year. He was winner on the second count, after the first one resulted in a tie. The electors' long applause assured Sid that we appreciated very much his able adminis-

tration and efforts on the club's behalf. The representatives of the clubs were invited to participate in the "Award Night", held at the Seven Seas Restaurant.

The club had sponsored a very successful bingo one Sunday evening. The proceeds were forwarded to two institutions: St. Josaphat's Orphanage (Mundare) and the YOUTH Press Fund.

Then there was a series of socials a-la-farewell-like. First was the U.C.Y.-sponsored dine-and-dance evening in Mount Carmel School auditorium. Set for a time immediately after the rush of the U of A exams, it was intended as the last of the season get-together for the U.C.Y. and Obnova members. Others were the boys from St. Basil's residence, and music was by Ted & His Starlighters. Those who were there enjoyed both immensely. Unfortunately, there were not as many guests as the hosts had prepared for.

Misses Josephine and Alexandra Bayduza have left our club this spring. As a token of appreciation for all the work they had done for the club and our parish as members and as members of the many executives, and for the many kind and thoughtful ways in which they had contributed towards our enjoyment,

the club got together, in the form of an outing to Rainbow Valley, to wish them a bon voyage. We trust that the coastal climate is to their liking.

In honor of Misses Eugenia Caruk, Pearl Hrabec, Eileen Kuchmak and Jane Kurylo, all members of our club, who, by the time this is read, will already be married, our club convoked on June 5 to convey to them our best wishes in their chosen way of living. Our president was master of ceremonies and Father Leon, our club's spiritual director, fittingly, was the speaker. To each of them was presented a lovely crucifix.

That completes that "series", but on the eve of June 9, after Moleben and Supplication, our parishioners gathered to honor our parish priest, Father Methodius Hannas on the occasion of St. Methodius' Day. In the little hall behind the church, filled as it is now on such occasions, the ladies served a delicious banquet. Amongst the many greetings that followed was one from our U.C.Y. Miss Evelyn Sych, our secretary in very well chosen words, expressed, on behalf of our U.C.Y., the club's appreciation for the generous help and guidance Father Methodius was giving it.

Drivers Beware

DRIVERS BEWARE

Since the vacation season is rapidly approaching, you might do well to read this article if you are planning to take the family car on your trip this year.

Once you slide behind the wheel of your car, be prepared to drive as

if all other drivers on the road are crazy. We all enjoy seeing animals in their place — but once you encounter a whole menagerie of highway pests — beware!

Learn early to spot the Turtle, the Race Horse, the Road Hog and the Jack Rabbit. Remember they

look harmless in a zoo or when they're stuffed — but meet one of these on the highway and your safety is certainly endangered. Watch for the driver who thinks little of his own safety and even less of yours. Let him have his accident all by himself — give him lots of room, and never try to teach him a lesson. You will gain nothing but a place among this veritable Noah's Ark.

Avoid accidents — maintain a reasonable speed, allow sufficient space between your car and the one ahead, obey traffic signals, slow down for corners, change traffic lanes only when it is safe to do so and after signalling your intentions, and maintain your car in a good safe driving condition by a periodic check up.

Statistics show that the most dangerous hours are from Friday afternoon until early Monday morning. There is more drinking, but it isn't the staggering drunk who causes most highway accidents, it's the over-confident fellow who has had a few drinks.

Remember to be on the lookout for:

The Road Hog — he drives as he pleases — he pays taxes doesn't he.

The Jack Rabbit — he hops from lane to lane without a backward glance.

The Race Horse — he never reduces his speed, regardless of fast or slow moving traffic.

The Turtle — he creeps along slowly tying traffic into dangerous knots.

The Goose—he believes honking his horn will slow traffic problems.

The Fox — he's smart when driv-

ing and always gets there safely.

This applies equally well in all ten provinces.

An Alberta Motorist.

NOTHING SERIOUS?

"There's nothing to be frightened about", soothed the director. "The lion won't hurt you. He's brought up on milk."

"So was I," retorted the extra as he turned to leave, "but I eat meat now!"

Two old vets of the rod and reel were attempting to down one another with tales of their fishing accomplishments. A large audience hung on to every word as they sought to cinch the verbal battle.

"Listen, you lopsided bobber," shouted Sam. "Once I caught a 50-pound bass with just a rusty pin."

"Shucks," countered Pete, "about two years ago I pulled in an old lantern, dated 1860, while fishing, and, believe it or not, that blamed lantern was still burning."

"Now, look here, Pete," scowled Sam. "I'll take 45 pounds off my fish if you'll just blow out that blamed lantern."

We heard that a Chinese life insurance company, worrying over a certificate holder who had forgotten to mail his payment, sent him this memo:

"Esteemed certificate holder: Kindly refrain from joining illustrious ancestors while insignificant payment reposes unpaid in offending pocket, since meantime honorable family, not company, is holding the burlap."